

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Information Clearinghouse

APPENDIX 8

Analysis of Requests by Disease Area

February 2002

Category of Requests	Number of Requests for February 2002	% of Total Requests for February 2002	Cumulative from July 24, 1998
<b>Arthritis and Rheumatic Diseases</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>40.3%</b>	<b>69,330</b>
Amyloidosis	4	0.1%	190
Ankylosing Spondylitis	27	0.5%	701
Arthritis (General)	516	8.9%	17,389
Behcet's Syndrome	14	0.2%	505
Fibromyalgia	339	5.8%	11,441
Giant Cell Arteritis	2	0.0%	226
Gout	74	1.3%	1,642
Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis	31	0.5%	656
Lupus/Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	426	7.3%	13,885
Osteoarthritis	246	4.2%	5,746
Other Arthritic and Rheumatic Diseases	4	0.1%	1,017
Polymyalgia Arthritis	46	0.8%	1,190
Polymyositis/Dermatomyositis	21	0.4%	696
Psoriatic Arthritis	28	0.5%	595
Raynaud's Phenomenon	111	1.9%	1,585
Reiter's Syndrome	16	0.3%	496
Rheumatoid Arthritis	240	4.1%	5,098
Scleroderma	102	1.8%	1,801
Sjogren's Syndrome	98	1.7%	4,471
<b>General Topics</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>24.0%</b>	<b>26,662</b>
A Guide for Making Print Documents	10	0.2%	106
Alternative Medicines/ Complementary Therapies	4	0.1%	95
Autoimmune Diseases	4	0.1%	31
Children	50	0.9%	352
Chronic Pain	2	0.0%	28
Clinical Trials	30	0.5%	581
Combined Health Information Database (CHID)	41	0.7%	485
Connective Tissue Diseases	43	0.7%	348
Diet	115	2.0%	1,755
Drug Therapy	144	2.5%	1,951
Exercise	208	3.6%	3,134
Financial Assistance	7	0.1%	128
Foreign Language Materials	6	0.1%	104
Grant Information	18	0.3%	265
Growth Plate Injuries	12	0.2%	239
How To Find Medical Information	167	2.9%	4,342

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Men	18	0.3%	137
NIAMS Information	142	2.4%	6,181
Other	47	0.8%	882
Other Therapies	2	0.0%	63
Out of Scope	37	0.6%	1,128
Pain	207	3.6%	3,013
Physician Referral	21	0.4%	424
Research, Extramural NIAMS	2	0.0%	80
Research, General	3	0.1%	219
Research, Intramural NIAMS	2	0.0%	68
Statistics	6	0.1%	186
Support Groups	3	0.1%	52
Surgery	2	0.0%	50
Web Comment	5	0.1%	18
Women	38	0.7%	217
<b>Musculoskeletal Disorders</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>22.5%</b>	<b>24,592</b>
Avascular Necrosis	30	0.5%	703
Bone Diseases	6	0.1%	173
Bursitis/Tendinitis	47	0.8%	1,147
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	5	0.1%	190
Heel Spurs	35	0.6%	748
Hip Replacement	97	1.7%	1,381
Knee Problems	181	3.1%	3,737
Knee Replacement	64	1.1%	1,082
Low Back Pain	160	2.8%	3,066
Marfan Syndrome	23	0.4%	367
Musculoskeletal Diseases	5	0.1%	204
Neck Problems/Cervical Spine Disorders	89	1.5%	1,651
Osteogenesis Imperfecta	15	0.3%	134
Osteomyelitis	18	0.3%	272
Osteoporosis	133	2.3%	2,544
Other Musculoskeletal Diseases and Disorders	37	0.6%	1,489
Paget's Disease	19	0.3%	287
Repetitive Stress Disorders/Repetitive Motion Syndrome	42	0.7%	1,024
Sciatica	3	0.1%	85
Scoliosis	97	1.7%	1,056
Shoulder Problems	131	2.3%	2,143
Spinal Stenosis	69	1.2%	1,109

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Acne	78	1.3%	1,563
Alopecia Areata	42	0.7%	910
Bunions	30	0.5%	476
Eczema/Atopic Dermatitis	72	1.2%	1,503
Hair Loss	55	0.9%	1,021
Itching (Pruritus)	38	0.7%	466
Keloids & Hypertrophic Scars	11	0.2%	308
Lichen Planus	13	0.2%	363
Lichen Sclerosis	22	0.4%	470
Other Skin Diseases and Disorders	32	0.6%	1,594
Pemphigus/Blistering Conditions	12	0.2%	359
Porphyria	3	0.1%	160
Psoriasis	74	1.3%	1,673
Rosacea	52	0.9%	1,062
Skin Diseases and Disorders	12	0.2%	471
Sun/UV Exposure	41	0.7%	691
Sweating Disorders	34	0.6%	560
Vitiligo	21	0.4%	592
<b>Sports Injuries</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>1,272</b>
Childhood Sports Injuries	65	1.1%	539
Other Sports Injuries	1	0.0%	19
Sprains and Strains	62	1.1%	714
<b>Total:</b>	<b>5,817</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>136,098</b>

NOTE: Request percentages may not equal 100 percent because of rounding.

The total number of requests may exceed the total number of requests for the month because many inquirers ask about more than one topic.